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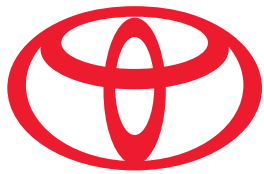
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The future's powered by ... oh, batteries

Western University researchers on the verge of creating a longer lasting electric car battery **PAGE 4**

Virtual robber steals digital money from online bank ...

No one was hurt. But an Alta. bank really is hooped **PAGE 9**

Sonja Gaudet named flag bearer for Paralympics

B.C. curler has 2 gold medals in wheelchair curling **PAGE 20**



EMDC guards charged for role in inmate's death

Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre. Trio of corrections officers accused of failing to provide necessities of life

Two corrections officers and one supervisor at Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre are facing criminal charges in connection to the beating death of an inmate.

Officers Leslie Lonsbary, 47, and Gregory Langford, 55, along with operational manager Stephen Jurkus, 52, each face one count of failing to provide the necessities of life. They've been suspended with pay pending an internal investigation, according to the Ministry of Corrections.

The union representing the officers, meanwhile, called the charges "gravely troubling."

Monday assault

Police probe

St. Thomas police are investigating a Monday assault that occurred while prisoners were being transferred in a police van to the Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre.

Police were escorting inmates to the jail after court appearances in St. Thomas, they said. The victim was discovered once they arrived at the facility. He was taken to hospital, where he was treated for a concussion and a broken nose.

Adam Kargus, 29, of Sarnia was savagely beaten to death during the evening of Oct. 31, 2013. He was found the next

morning by guards.

Kargus had been placed in a cell with an inmate who had a long and violent history. Anthony George had been transferred from Sarnia, where reports state he had beaten other prisoners. George was charged with murder days after Kargus's death, and two other inmates — Bradley Mielke and David Cake — were charged with being accessories after the fact.

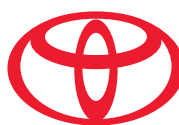
As London police investigated the incident they determined a second investigation was required. That probe focused on the actions, or lack thereof, of corrections staff leading up to and during the homicide. The results were announced Wednesday.

The three EMDC guards are scheduled to appear in court April 15. **SCOTT TAYLOR/METRO**

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COUNTRY CASH-IN!

London's own rising country music star Genevieve Fisher was on hand for a Wednesday performance as the Canadian Country Music Association announced it's bringing its annual awards show and Country Music Week to the Forest City in 2016. The economic impact is expected to be huge, local leaders say. Story on page 2. **SCOTT TAYLOR/METRO**



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What they said



Don Green METRO

"London has everything required to support our vision and mandate, including world-class facilities, such as (the London) Music Hall, a proven local host team of hundreds of experienced volunteers, government and corporate leaders' financial and moral support and a ... love of music in the city."

Don Green, CCMA president



Joe Fontana METRO FILE

"London will be the heart of country music, and it will welcome music enthusiasts from across Canada. I guarantee an amazing week because London loves to have guests and we know just how to treat them — like family."

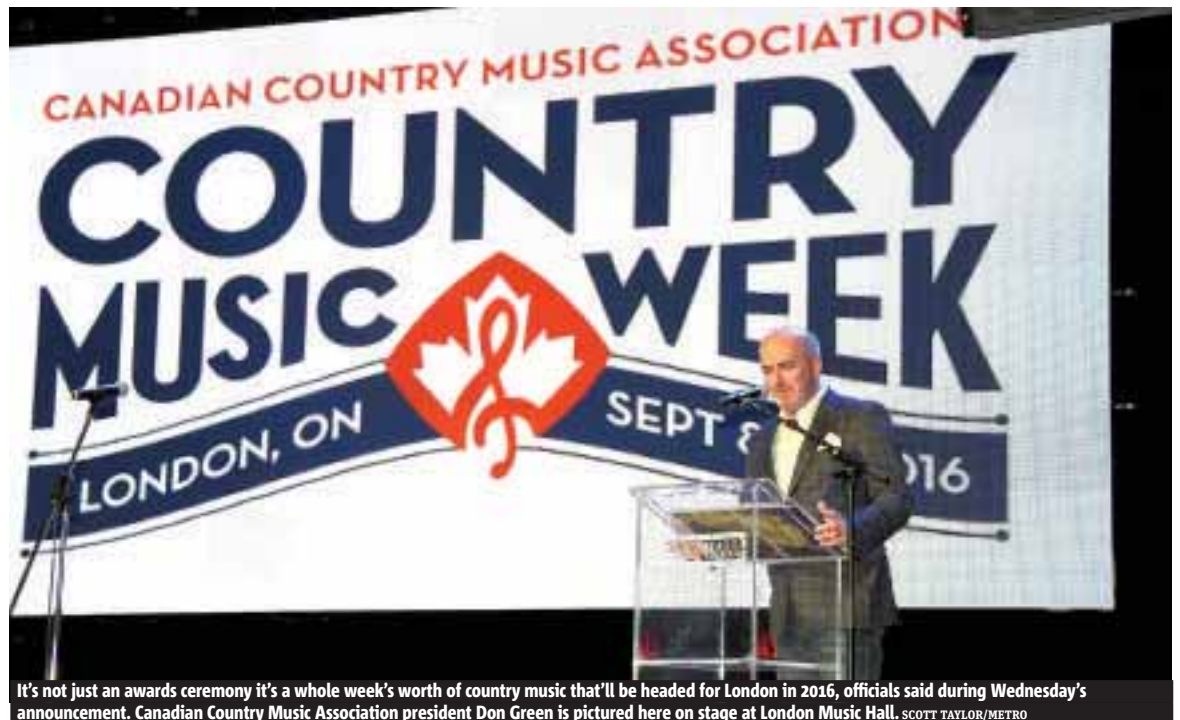
Mayor Joe Fontana



Chris Campbell METRO

"The televised awards show ... is the only event at Budweiser Gardens. We're going to be using other venues in the city. The convention centre, the London Music Hall and a number of other ones."

Chris Campbell, Budweiser Gardens marketing director



It's not just an awards ceremony it's a whole week's worth of country music that'll be headed for London in 2016, officials said during Wednesday's announcement. Canadian Country Music Association president Don Green is pictured here on stage at London Music Hall. SCOTT TAYLOR/METRO

London has the right twang for country gang

2016. Canadian Country Music Week, awards coming to city

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London has won the bid to host the Canadian Country Week and the Canadian Country Music Association Awards in 2016.

The news was trumpeted Wednesday at the London Music Hall, one of the venues that will host events

from Sept. 8-11.

"We're extraordinarily honoured to have been selected to host the Country Music Week and the CCMAs," said London Tourism general manager John Winston. "It will be the first time it's hosted in London ever, or in Southwestern Ontario."

Winston said the event will encompass four days of on-going activity that will have an economic impact of up to \$8 million for the city.

"There will be fan fests, free concerts, a songwriters' series, also a conference that will attract 600 (to) 800 delegates from across the country," he added.

Budweiser Gardens market-

Tune in

3 million

Number of viewers garnered by televised Canadian Country Music Association Awards, according to association president Don Green.

ing director Chris Campbell, who is also chair of London's Country Music Week Host Committee, boasted the city will receive exposure as a destination that can not only host large sporting events but cultural events as well.

"It's going to show what we do best," he said. "It's going to

show that not only do we have the best venues, but we have a great sense of collaboration among venues and people.

"From media to sponsors, we work very well together. We all seem to be rowing in the same direction and big things can happen."

CCMA president Don Green said London will be the focal point of the country music nation when the awards show is telecast on both CBC and CMT networks.

Edmonton will host this year, while Halifax will kick up its boots in 2015.

The lineup of stars to perform in London won't be announced until summer 2016.

Ontario Tories accuse Grits of messing up on education

Ontario's Progressive Conservatives went on the attack Wednesday, accusing the Liberal government of making a mess of the education system, spending billions more dollars only to see test scores fall.

Grade 8 math test results have fallen 16 points since the Liberals came to power over 10 years ago, even though the province spends \$8.5 billion more each year on a system

that has 250,000 fewer students, said PC education critic Rob Leone.

"We're spending more, serving fewer and our results are even worse than they were in 2003," Leone said. "Where has the money gone?"

Education Minister Liz Sandals said "a lot of the expense is related to full-day kindergarten, and I make no apologies for that."

The extra funding also went to create new high school specialist programs and to put mental health experts in every school board, added Sandals.

The decline on the international math test results that Leone pointed to works out to a little over a two per cent drop, said Sandals. "We slipped a little bit and need to do better. No one's arguing with that."

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Old South. Wortley Rocks supports cancer charity

You can rock it in Old South on Thursday, and it'll all be for a good cause.

The Roadies of Western Continuing Studies will present Wortley Rocks in support of Wellspring London at the Wortley Roadhouse.

Proceeds from the event will support individuals living with cancer and their families in London.

Wellspring offers sup-

portive care and a gathering place for patients and the people who care for them.

Scheduled to appear are The Nighttime Parade, The Dark Folk and Lindsay Foote. The event runs from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Tickets are \$5, but donations can be made at any time to through gifttool.com by searching "gifttool Wortley Rocks" online.

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Steam Whistle. Brewery offering help to London's troubled cyclists

London cyclists who have had a tough day are being offered a helping hand by one of Ontario's top craft breweries.

No, it's not a free beer, although many people with a broken bike might accept one gratefully. Toronto company Steam Whistle Brewing is planning to donate a bike-maintenance station to the city.

The idea is that cycling enthusiasts can give their bikes some attention with help from the eight tools and a heavy-duty pump attached to the permanent station, which could be in place within weeks.

"Steam Whistle has always been a big supporter of the cycling community," said communications director Sybil Taylor. "I think there's an affinity between people who like a natural, healthy lifestyle and people who choose a healthy, all-natural

Nationwide effort

- Steam Whistle Brewing is offering 14 bike maintenance stations to cities across Canada, and talks are at various stages with city authorities.
- If all goes well, there will be three in Toronto, two in Vancouver, two in Ottawa and one each in Guelph, Peterborough, Kingston, London and Hamilton, plus one in Calgary and one in Edmonton

craft beer.

"We're just giving back to the community."

There's already a maintenance station outside the Steam Whistle brewery in Toronto.

As well as the company's logo, it has tools securely tethered to a post, a clamp to hold a bike steady and the pump.

Each station costs about \$1,500.

City staff in London are considering the offer, bearing in mind restrictions on advertising in city parks, and are to report to councillors with a recommendation.

Possible locations being considered are outside Covent Garden Market, the Forks of the Thames and Springbank Park, near the old pump house.

Taylor said private sites are also a possibility and there have been discussions with Fanshawe Conservation Area, where there are bike trails.

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Bike maintenance stations that look like this are coming to cities across Canada. CONTRIBUTED

174 marijuana plants

Local man faces drug charges

A London man is facing charges after police found a marijuana grow-op in a West Elgin home.

Ontario Provincial Police searched a residence Tuesday and found 174 marijuana plants, nine pounds of marijuana buds and 30 pounds of loose leaves, seeds and stems.

Van Khai Tang, 49, faces charges including marijuana production and hydro theft.

He has been released pending a March 31 court date in St. Thomas.

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Worth \$50,000

Stolen jewellery returned

A St. Thomas woman has been reunited with the more than \$50,000 worth of jewellery reported stolen from a home while it was being renovated.

Two arrests have been made and the cache of sparkly stones has been returned.

Jeffrey Rodey, 25, has been charged with possession of stolen property over \$5,000. James Campbell, 34, is charged with theft over \$5,000. Both are from St. Thomas. Police say more arrests and charges are possible. METRO



Western University's Xueliang (Andy) Sun, pictured here in his lab at the school, is one of the key people behind research aimed at improving batteries used in electric cars. COURTESY WESTERN UNIVERSITY

Western researchers powering up the future

Electric cars. University leads effort for longer lasting vroom



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They might not have built a better mousetrap, per say. But researchers at Western University are on the verge of something that could make electric cars more market-

able.

The power behind their work? Batteries.

Xueliang (Andy) Sun, who works in Western's engineering faculty, started working with others in 2011 to study ways of building a better electric car battery.

Simply put: "We have to find a solution to increase performance while maintaining safety, stability, environmental sustainability and cost, so we are developing lithium iron phosphate battery materials with carbon," says Sun, the Canada Research Chair in

High heat

600-900 C

The temperatures reached during the carbon coating process, which the researchers have found may be melting battery surfaces.

development of nanomaterials for clean energy.

Sun and his team now say a mechanical process — called carbon coating — may actually be doing more harm than good to the lifespan of

lithium-ion batteries.

The researchers used techniques, including scanning electron microscope imaging, to figure out that the surface of the batteries may be melting during the carbon coating process, which includes temperatures ranging from 600 to 900 C.

The battery surface "basically becomes a liquid, creating island-shaped phases or pockets on the top of the battery materials, which breaks its conductivity," said Sun.

That, in turn, causes decreased performance.

Horwath wants hydro rebates for 4.4M customers

NDP Leader Andrea Horwath wants Premier Kathleen Wynne to give electricity ratepayers a \$100 rebate to help ease the pain of skyrocketing hydro bills.

In a letter sent to Wynne this week, Horwath, who holds the balance of power in the minority legislature, urged the Liberal government to adopt the New Democrats' plan to curb energy costs.

"Families and businesses

need sky-high hydro bills brought back down to earth. That is a priority for me," she wrote in the missive.

Significantly, Horwath's latest note does not say whether Wynne could avert a spring election by implementing NDP proposals, as happened last year.

Instead, she made a campaign-style pitch for a \$100 rebate for 4.4 million customers, which would cost \$440 million and go to residen-

tial consumers, farmers and small-business owners, and berated the Liberals for cancelling gas-fired power plants in Oakville and Mississauga before the 2011 election.

"People resent the non-stop reckless waste by this government, like your decision to burn \$1 billion of their hard-earned tax dollars on the gas plants scandal — a monumental failure of leadership," wrote Horwath.

"They have been troubled

to learn of raids on your government by the Ontario Provincial Police anti-rackets squad as part of a criminal investigation into the cover up of that scandal," she continued.

While the Liberals already have the "clean energy benefit" — a 10 per cent discount that appears on hydro bills, costing the treasury \$1 billion annually — Horwath insists more could be done.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

The perfect storm

Various circumstances collided on Oct. 31, 2013, when Adam Kargus was beaten to death at the embattled Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre. Here's a look at key elements police say played a role in Kargus's death and issues in the ongoing EMDC debate.

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Adam Kargus

The victim

Adam Kargus, 29, of Sarnia, was sentenced on Oct. 17, 2013, to 165 days behind bars, plus house arrest, on 21 charges of using false identification for tax returns and to get cellphones.

After being assaulted in a Sarnia jail, Kargus was moved to the Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre, where, his mother said Wednesday, he thought he would be safer.

By the end of the month, Kargus was dead — beaten to death at the London facility in what police have said was an inmate-on-inmate attack.

London police have now laid charges against three EMDC guards, who are accused of failing to provide the necessities of life.

Deb Abrams, Kargus's mother, said she hopes the end result is a change to the corrections system that will prevent inmates from being put in situations similar to the one that led to her son's death.

"I cannot get my son back, but I want this to never happen to somebody else," she said. "I don't want Adam's death to be in vain, and I don't want this to happen to another person's family."

Anthony George

The accused

Anthony George has a long criminal history.

He most recently was taken into Sarnia police custody on July 2013, only days apart from the arrest of Adam Kargus, the Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre cellmate he's charged with killing.

Charges against him included uttering threats to cause death and aggravated assault.

He was arrested after police say a man was robbed, beaten with a stick and had his head stomped on as the assailants yelled, "Kill him, kill him."

In 2009, he was tied to a beating at the Sarnia jail in which two inmates were injured. A piece of concrete wrapped in a pillowcase had been turned into a weapon.

He was convicted of using brass knuckles in a 2012 attack during a home invasion.



Anthony George
CONTRIBUTED



Adam Kargus CONTRIBUTED

OPSEU

The union

As charges were laid against three front-line corrections officers, the union representing them declined "comment on the specifics" Wednesday because of pending court proceedings.

But OPSEU president Warren (Smokey) Thomas said the union has been sounding the alarm about problems at the Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre since the summer of 2012.

"We are saddened by this death and send our condolences to the family of the victim," Thomas said in a statement.

Thomas said the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services must face the fact that the facility is overcrowded, has an outdated design, and lacks the proper staffing, staff training and security equipment to deal with the day-to-day problems inside.

"For over 18 months we have said that tragedies would occur at EMDC unless the problems that have been identified by front-line officers were fixed," he said.

Queen's Park

The government

The announcement that charges had been laid against three Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre guards in relation to Adam Kargus's death sparked another wave of scrutiny Wednesday at Queen's Park.

Madeleine Meilleur, minister of community safety and correctional services, faced more questions about what's being done to shore up the embattled facility.

The dialogue was very similar to what's played out during question period multiple times in recent years.

London West MPP Peggy Sattler, the NDP's community safety and correctional services critic, again asked what's being done to address "overcrowding, understaffing and design flaws" at the EMDC.

Meilleur declined comment, citing "ongoing criminal proceedings" and a ministry investigation. She said that violence is a problem at correctional facilities everywhere.

She also referenced a 12-point plan to improve health and safety at the facility. That's led to, among other things, a new advisory board, more health-care coverage, more than 300 security cameras and the hiring of 11 new corrections staff.

"This government believes everyone in our custody should be treated with respect and held in humane and safe conditions," Meilleur said.

The facility was 21 inmates below capacity at the time Kargus died, she's said in the past.



Lawyer Kevin Egan has filed a class-action lawsuit against the province on behalf of Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre inmates. METRO FILE

Charges a positive step: Lawyer

London lawyer Kevin Egan called charges laid against three Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre guards "a step in the right direction."

"It's clear that they were not performing their duties that night or what happened to Adam (Kargus) would never have happened," Egan alleges.

Egan cited a combination

of factors — including what he described as the guards' dereliction of duty — for the inmate's death.

"It's almost a perfect storm," he said. "It's the overcrowding, the poor design, the culture that exists within the jail."

The lawyer launched a \$300-million class-action suit

against the provincial government last year. The lawsuit is on behalf of all persons jailed at EMDC from Jan. 1, 2010, to Aug. 25, 2013.

Among those represented are former inmates who say they've been attacked by gangs, beaten and scarred — both physically and emotionally — for life.

The culture at the jail encourages violence and, overall, conditions "breed contempt of the law," Egan has said.

He said the government has refused pleas to help improve the situation. His lawsuit alleges two breaches of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

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Managing an internet cat



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Lesson 5: Be active

Don't disappear from posting for too long — not even for half a day.

Iran

Tehran told to clear up nuke fears to ease sanctions

A U.S. envoy told Iran on Wednesday that it can expect relief from sanctions if it clears up suspicions that it worked on nuclear arms, but Tehran said claims that it did so are “baseless.”

The exchange reflected obstacles remaining to an agreement with Iran that would put to rest concerns that Tehran may be interested in atomic weapons.

Iran and six world powers are now working on a deal that highlights sanctions relief in exchange for an agreement to substantially scale back nuclear programs.

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Sweden

Aid to Uganda cut over anti-gay legislation

Sweden has joined a number of countries in halting aid to Uganda after the nation strengthened anti-gay legislation last week.

A spokesman for

the Foreign Ministry, Sebastian Tham, said Wednesday that Sweden will immediately cut planned aid worth \$1 million US to the Uganda government, but will continue with other non-governmental programs. In 2013, the total amount of Swedish aid to Uganda was \$35 million.

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Tunisia

Blogger jailed for Muhammad cartoons freed

The lawyer for a Tunisian blogger sentenced to seven years in prison for posting cartoons deemed insulting to the Prophet Muhammad says her client was freed late Tuesday.

Bochra Belhaj Hamida said Wednesday that Jaber Mejeri had left prison for his hometown of Mahdia, and measures were being taken to ensure his safety.

Mejeri became a major figure in the battle over freedom of expression in Tunisia when cartoons shared on Facebook by him and a friend landed him with a jail sentence in 2012.

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UN envoy threatened, driven from Crimea by armed men

Ukraine. Officials say Robert Serry was not kidnapped and is ‘in good shape’ after being confronted by men with weapons

Quoted

“I’m safe. My visit was interrupted for reasons that I cannot understand.”

UN envoy Robert Serry

A special UN envoy cut short his mission in Crimea on Wednesday after being threatened by 10 to 15 armed men and ordered to leave the region, UN officials said.

After a confrontation that began as he was leaving naval headquarters and continued at a café, envoy Robert Serry was driven to Simferopol airport by the men and was flying to Ukraine’s capital to continue his fact-finding mission, the officials said.

On Friday, UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon asked Serry to go to Crimea as part of the fact-finding mission. Serry, who is currently the UN Mideast envoy, initially decided against going after consulting

with authorities in the region. But UN Deputy Secretary-General Jan Eliasson said Serry later decided it was important to go, given the “dramatic circumstances.”

Ukrainian officials reported earlier Wednesday that Serry had been kidnapped. But Eliasson denied that. He said Serry was threatened by the armed men, but was not abducted.

Eliasson said the men ordered Serry to leave Crimea and go to the airport. Serry refused, and was later seen in the café as armed men in camouflage outfits stood outside. He then got into a van with the men and was taken to the airport.

Eliasson told reporters that Serry “is in good shape physically. He is not kidnapped.”

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Police try to separate clashing pro-Russia demonstrators and supporters of the new Ukrainian government in Donetsk, Ukraine, Wednesday, where hundreds of demonstrators waving Russian flags stormed a government building. The region is the home city of fugitive president Viktor Yanukovich, who fled the country after protests in Kyiv. SERGEI CHUZAVKOV/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Canadian perspective

Russia is in ‘violation of international law’: Harper

Canada will send two observers to join an unarmed military mission in Ukraine and will impose more sanctions on the regime of fugitive Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovich, Prime Minister Stephen Harper said Wednesday.

“Russia’s invasion of Ukraine is a clear violation of international law,” Harper said in a statement.

“Canada will contribute observers to an important military observer mission in a co-ordinated effort to better monitor the Russian military intervention in Crimea.”

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As leaders meet in Paris, France sends Russia a warship



French-built warship BPC Vladivostok, designed to strengthen Russia’s ability to deploy troops, tanks and helicopters, leaves the Saint Nazaire’s harbour in France for its test run Wednesday. DAVID VINCENT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A French-built warship designed to strengthen Russia’s ability to deploy troops, tanks and helicopter gunships is getting its first test run Wednesday — just as Western powers are trying to rein in Russian President Vladimir Putin’s military threat to Ukraine.

A spokesman for the shipbuilder says the Vladivostok helicopter carrier is setting sail from the French Atlantic port of Saint-Nazaire. A few hundred kilometres away in Paris, France’s government is hosting American, Rus-

sian and other leading world diplomats Wednesday amid mounting tensions over Ukraine.

The warship is part of a \$1.8-billion deal that marked the biggest-ever sale of NATO weaponry to Moscow, a deal that already raised eyebrows both within Russia’s military circles and among France’s Western allies in 2011.

France has criticized Russia’s military incursion into Ukraine’s Black Sea peninsula of Crimea, but says it has no plans to scrap the de-

fence deal.

That’s because France, like many of Russia’s European trading partners, has found itself wedged between efforts to squeeze Russia diplomatically and its own economic interests. The French government’s top priority is reviving its lacklustre economy and battling unemployment, and this deal underpins some 1,000 jobs.

The Vladivostok is on track to be delivered by the last quarter of this year, said spokesman Emmanuel Gaudez of DCNS, a state-

backed naval shipbuilder manufacturing the warships along with South Korean-controlled shipbuilder STX.

A few Russian customers and military personnel are to visit the ship later this month, and a larger Russian delegation is expected in June, company officials said.

“But now with what’s happening in Ukraine, perhaps they have other priorities — I don’t know,” said Christophe Morel, a CGT labour union delegate on the STX board.

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Pistorius. Runner asked friend to take blame in gun mishap, trial hears

A month before he fatally shot his girlfriend, Oscar Pistorius cajoled a friend into taking the blame when a gun was accidentally fired under the Johannesburg restaurant table where he and other friends were sitting, according to testimony Wednesday in the double-amputee runner's murder trial.

"Just say it was you. I don't want any tension around me," witness Kevin Lerena remembered Pistorius telling a friend. "There's too much media hype around me."

The testimony by Lerena, a boxer, raises questions about the character of a man who insists he accidentally killed Reeva Steenkamp in his home in the early hours of Feb. 14 last year. Prosecutors allege he intentionally shot the 29-year-old model and television personality after a loud argument.



Oscar Pistorius in court Wednesday.
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Lerena was the first witness in the trial to allow himself to be broadcast on television under a judge's order allowing cameras into the courtroom but preserving the right of some witnesses not to be shown.

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Trinidad. Campaign takes aim at traditional ... shark sandwiches

Conservationists said Wednesday they have launched a shark-saving campaign in Trinidad & Tobago, trying to stop locals and tourists from eating a popular delicacy: deep-fried shark sandwiches.

Many have long considered "bake & shark" sandwiches an essential part of visiting Trinidad's popular Maracas beach, which is lined with shacks serving fried juvenile shark and bread smothered with toppings such as mango chutney and tamarind sauce.

But the local Papa Bois Conservation group is now pushing for a ban on the catch and trade of sharks to help protect a fast-dwindling

Dwindling

"Most people simply don't understand that sharks are in crisis."

Marc de Verteuil, director of the Papa Bois Conservation group

population.

Group director Marc de Verteuil said overfishing in local waters has gotten so bad that much of the shark meat may now be imported. Environmentalists say the small twin-island country plays an outsized role in supplying shark fins for a soup popular in China. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Middle East

Israel busts rocket shipment

Israeli naval forces on Wednesday seized a ship laden with rockets allegedly bound for militants in the Gaza Strip, and officials accused Iran of orchestrating the delivery in an elaborate 8,000-kilometre journey that included covert stops across the region. The naval raid took place in the Red Sea hundreds of miles from Israel.

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Brooklyn, N.Y.C.

Rabbi nabbed on charges of child pornography

A rabbi and teacher at a girls' seminary has been arrested on a child pornography distribution charge. The 52-year-old Samuel Waldman was arrested Wednesday at his home in New York, charged with distributing child pornography including girls ages four to 11.

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A worker stirs guacamole at a Chipotle restaurant in Miami, Fla., on Wednesday. The fast food chain is tossing around the idea that it would temporarily suspend sales of guacamole due to climate change. JOE RAEDLE/GETTY IMAGES

Guacamole could just end: Chipotle

Bland burrito. Climate change could force chain to pull avocado spread off its menu

No salsa either

"The effects of climate change expand beyond just avocados. It's affecting everything."

Sylvain Charlebois, associate dean of research and graduate studies at the University of Guelph's College of Management and Economics

Climate change could knock your favourite fast foods off the menu.

Restaurant chain Chipotle is warning that it may have to temporarily stop serving guacamole or certain salsas in the event of extreme weather because of climate change.

"Increasing weather volatility or other long-term chan-

ges in global weather patterns, including any changes associated with global climate change, could have a significant impact on the price or availability of some of our ingredients," the restaurant said in its annual report released last month.

Other major fast-food

chains (see below), are bracing for the long-term effects of a warmer planet and severe weather on the crops they use.

If climate change makes a key ingredient, such as avocados, too expensive, Chipotle says it may have to pull dishes like guacamole from the menu instead of paying

the higher price for the raw ingredients.

Chipotle pointed to droughts in the U.S. over the past two years, which have driven up the price of beef, as an example of the type of extreme weather they're worried about.

Professor Sylvain Charlebois, at the University of Guelph's College of Management and Economics, says restaurants have good reason to worry. She, too, points to the ongoing drought in California, which is driving up the price of lettuce, strawberries and almonds. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



Climate change may affect Tim Hortons. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN

Drive-thru might also run dry

It may be the first time Chipotle mentions climate change in its annual report, but the Colorado-based chain is definitely not the only major fast-food company worried about the effects a changing climate could have on their ability to serve certain foods.

In its annual report, Tim Hortons says variations in

the weather could take a toll on the growing conditions of crucial agricultural supplies, mainly coffee, wheat and sugar, meaning doughnuts, double-doubles or pretty much everything it serves.

"Over time, climate change may result in changes in sea levels, weather and temperature change,

disease and pest levels, drought and fires, and resource availability," the chain's annual report says.

McDonald's is also concerned about the costs posed by the "effects of climate change, greenhouse gases, energy and water resources," as the restaurant chain says in its most recent annual report. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

More relaxed pot laws considered

Criminal Code. As it now stands, anyone convicted of possessing small amounts of marijuana can be jailed for up to 5 years

The Conservative government is seriously considering more lenient marijuana laws that would allow police to ticket anyone caught with small amounts of pot instead of laying charges, Justice Minister Peter MacKay said Wednesday.

"We're not talking about decriminalization or legalization," MacKay said following the weekly Conservative caucus meeting on Parliament Hill.

"The Criminal Code would still be available to police, but we would look at options that would ... allow police to ticket



The federal Tories are considering more lenient pot laws, Peter MacKay said Wednesday. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

those types of offences."

Prime Minister Stephen Harper is open to such an approach, he added.

MacKay has hinted in the past that such a move was under consideration. The country's police chiefs — as well as some Tory caucus members — have long called for ticketing people for pot

possession instead of laying criminal charges.

But MacKay has also been among the Conservatives' fiercest critics of Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau's stance on the issue. Trudeau supports the legalization of marijuana, a position the Tories have mocked with gleeful abandon. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Vigil for Loretta Saunders

Sharon Armstrong of Ottawa takes part in a vigil on Parliament Hill on Wednesday for Loretta Saunders and to call for a national inquiry into missing and murdered aboriginal women. Two people have been charged with first-degree murder in her death. In a cruel irony, Saunders was writing a thesis on murdered and missing aboriginal women before she died. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Still probing

Provincial police overseeing Ford investigation

Ontario's provincial police are now overseeing an investigation into the activities of Toronto's Mayor Rob Ford, who has repeatedly attacked the legitimacy of the probe, Toronto's police Chief Bill Blair said Wednesday.

Ford's lawyer immediately denounced the oversight change, which leaves senior city investigators on the case, as "meaningless."

In a letter to OPP Commissioner Chris Lewis, Blair laid out his reasons for asking his provincial colleagues for help.

"I am taking this step to avoid the distractions that have assumed such recent prominence," Blair said in the letter.

Ford, who has vociferously challenged the chief to arrest him, has branded the investigation political. He has publicly accused Blair of wasting tax money — with little result.

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Virtual bank robber to blame for fall: Flexcoin

Digital currency.

Alberta 'bank' focused on bitcoins folds after it claims attacker 'exploited a flaw in the code'

An Alberta-based online "bank" specializing in bitcoins is blaming a technical flaw for the theft of its digital currency that forced it to close its doors this week.

In a statement on its website Wednesday, Flexcoin says 896 bitcoins were stolen from its online vault. That translates into a loss of about \$600,000, based on bitcoin's current trad-

Background

Since its creation in 2009, bitcoin has become popular among tech enthusiasts and risk-seeking investors because it allows people to make one-to-one transactions, buy goods and services and exchange money across borders without involving banks, credit card issuers or other third parties. Criminals like bitcoin for the same reasons.

ing value.

"Flexcoin was attacked and robbed of all coins in the hot wallet," the company reported

on its website. "As Flexcoin does not have the resources, assets, or otherwise to come back from this loss, we are closing our doors immediately."

An email to the company requesting comment was not immediately returned. But the website did provide details on how the company thinks the theft happened.

"The attacker successfully exploited a flaw in the code which allows transfers between Flexcoin users," it said.

Flexcoin said by sending thousands of simultaneous requests, the attacker was able to move coins from one user account to another until the sending account was overdrawn.

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Three's a very welcome crowd on 3nder

Fancy a threesome? Dima Trifonov, the London, U.K.-based entrepreneur behind dating app 3nder, thinks you do. The spin-off of location-based hookup apps like Tinder and Grindr aims to remove the seedy stigma attached to the ménage à trois. Seeking a threesome "should be something that doesn't make you feel like a sexual freak," Trifonov says. The app is currently in beta mode, but already has 23,000 subscribers. METRO WORLD NEWS

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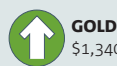
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How did “a pain in the neck” come to describe an annoying person?

Because I have a pain in my neck keeping me home from work, and it's much more than annoying. When the doctor asked me to rate the pain on a scale of one to 10, I said I'd need a spinal tap because this one goes to 11.

OK, I didn't say that. What I said was: “OW makeitstop OW.”

An annoying person should be a rug burn. Or a hangnail. Or a paper cut. All pretty good insults, come to think of it.

A “pain in the neck”? That should be reserved for the Atillas and Stalins and Trumps. History's greatest monsters.

This hurts so much that I've been watching Game of Thrones and after every decapitation I think, “Oh, that'd be sweet relief. Wish I was a traitor.”

The good news is there's a silver lining — possibly lining the



HE SAYS

John Mazerolle

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muscle in my neck, which would explain the throbbing. The doctor, seeing the brave way I was handling adversity, prescribed me a heavy-duty painkiller to provide relief. This means:

- 1) I get to take opioids.
- 2) I get to write about opioids.
- 3) If I write a lame column and make hack jokes about my doctor's handwriting, I can blame the opioids.

John's Guide To Prescription Painkillers

1) I joke around in this column, but you should never, ever abuse drugs that aren't liquor, beer, wine, snuff, cigarettes, cigars, marijuana, hash or coffee. And even then, only several times a month.

2) Try to look suspicious when you ask for your painkillers. That way, when the pharmacist makes a phone call and you check out, you get to act offended.

3) To check the effectiveness of the security cap, be sure to leave

your medication alone in your living room for long periods of time. Better safe than sorry.

4) Remember to look under the rim for your chance at free drugs or one of seven 2014 Dodge Durangos.

5) All the drug-safety guidelines I read remind you to turn on the lights when you take pills. This is to ensure that you're not blind. If you are blind, call a doctor. Unless you've always been blind, in which case call a friend. They'd love to hear from you.

6) After a statistically significant sample of three Percocet, I can say the most interesting effect of opioids is that they don't make you feel good; they just make you feel less. Part of me had expected to have a Yellow Submarine/Twin Peaks vision trip, but really it was more of a Big Bang Theory/American Idol trip. I didn't feel anything, other than hoping it would be over in the next 22 minutes.

And that's my guide to prescription painkillers. Now that I understand how powerful these drugs are, it makes sense to me that my doctor's handwriting is so scribbly! Am I right? Sorry, sorry. Dave's not here, man.

ZOOM

It's the circle of life



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Human hamster wheel spins in N.Y.C.

Ward Shelley, top, and Alex Schweder, both professors, designers and artists, live in their art installation piece titled In Orbit on Wednesday in the Williamsburg neighborhood of the

Brooklyn Borough of New York City. Shelley and Schweder are in the midst of living in the hamster wheel-like environment for 10 days; the wheel was designed complete with beds, desks, a kitchen and bathroom and chair for relaxing.

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Working together through the grind

One wrong move by him or his fellow human hamster and they risk being thrown off. They are perched on opposite ends of the wheel, 180 degrees from each other, and must carefully co-ordinate their movements.

When one walks, the other must walk in the opposite direction. When one stops, the other must stop.

“It's really an exploration of what it means to collaborate,” Schweder said. “It's an exploration of trust between two people.”

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So, how about those new year's resolutions? Two months into the year, are you still hitting the gym, reading more, spending less and being an all-around saint? For those who have perhaps fallen off the wagon, here are some apps to help pick you back up.

Everest:

Whether it's to climb Mount Everest or just pay off your debt, this free iPhone app helps you get your goals in order — and follow friends (and strangers) as they progress with theirs.

Habit Clock:

Start your day “right” with this alarm clock/habit-forming app. After you hit snooze, Habit Clock keeps your morning on track by sending reminders to finish your predetermined morning habits.

Habit List:

You can't develop habits unless you track them, or at least that's the logic behind Habit List. The iPhone app lets you record your tasks, sends reminders and keeps you focused.



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Comments

RE: Passenger's Sexist Note Left On WestJet Flight Stirs Pilot's Heated Response, published March 4

Here's a plan. Keep doing what you're doing and try not to be offended so easily. People will always have their own outlook on life, and no matter how skewed it is they have a right to believe in whatever they want. Further, they have a right to express their own incorrect, correct, or outrageous opinions. Why let someone's rant or comment get you down? Why vent in anger on Facebook? Why even give it a second thought? We call this the “Me Generation” because the majority of people have developed a large sense of self-entitlement and people tend to take every insult and impunity to heart. **disqus_z3lferpzrN posted to metronews.ca**

I disagree whole heartedly Disqus_z3lferpzrN. I do agree that everyone is entitled to their opinion. But there comes a point when the opinions are just not acceptable and when offered freely and openly like this they are open to the ridicule they deserve. This is SEXISM pure and simple and is not to be tolerated. As any kind of prejudice should not be tolerated. **TJE posted to metronews.ca**

For you to say that “any kind of prejudice should not be tolerated” is in fact extremely prejudicial and I will not tolerate it. Everyone has prejudice in their thinking towards something whether people like you like it or not, or even realize it or not. Some people are stupid. Some cultures are backwards. Some religions are horrible. I have the right to make such a judgment based on thoughtful study of the facts. **Rory Kyle Maxwell posted to metronews.ca**

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The wonders of the weird

Oh the horror of it all. Fake Shark — Real Zombie! invades the London scene



BACKSTAGE PASS
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He likes to keep people guessing with his outstanding weirdness, in dress, performance and sonic schizophrenia, ranging from post-hardcore to freak-pop.

"I don't make sense, I make change. And I don't make nice, I make strange," are some of the lines in the song Get Weird by Vancouver band Fake Shark — Real Zombie!

The band is playing London on Sunday to showcase Don't Forget, a re-release of two earlier albums: Zebra Zebra and Meeting People is Terrible.

"It was something fun to do, because Meeting People is Terrible never came out properly with our last management. It went out in Japan but nowhere else," says singer/composer Kevin James Maher (a.k.a Kevvy Mental).

Heavily influenced by horror flicks, Maher chose the band's name in refer-

Solo in the sound

"I'm sort of a shut-in. It's making fun of myself for being such a shut-in. I spend so much time alone writing music."

Kevin James Maher on the album name Meeting People is Terrible



The members of Fake Shark — Real Zombie!, from left: Jason Crockford, Kevin James Maher, Tony Dallas and Louis Wu. CONTRIBUTED

ence to Lucio Fulci's film Zombi 2, in which a real shark and a zombie fight each other.

The concept and lyrics for Zebra Zebra were inspired by horror scenes and the work of Faith No More front man Mike Patton. Patton's avant-garde metal band Fantômas paid tribute to the genre with their album The Director's Cut (2001, Ipecac Recordings).

"At the time of Zebra Zebra, I wasn't into songs that were like 'I felt this' and 'You did that,'" says Maher. "Almost none of the lyrics were personal."

Maher has done some

scoring of his own for "the twisted twins" — the Soska sisters, who directed Dead Hooker in a Trunk and American Mary.

He's also collaborated with Danny Lohner from Nine Inch Nails to create a song for the movie See No Evil 2, starring professional wrestler Kane.

Besides his love of horror, Maher has quite the healthy admiration for tie-dye T-shirts, sporting one in most of his videos and concerts.

"I think I have 40-50 tie-dye shirts. Kids send them to me. When Liar came out I made 100 and sold them

as limited edition. I made them in my bedroom and ruined it because I got ink everywhere," he says.

The band's last album, Liar, was inspired by the singer's terrible year, including a band that was falling apart and a girl who cheated on him.

"I felt I was dealing with

a lot of dishonest people. I decided to take my misfortune and make fun of myself instead of feeling sorry for myself," says Maher.

SUNDAY'S SHOW TAKES PLACE AT THE LONDON MUSIC HALL (185 QUEENS AVE.) WITH MATT WEBB AND JESSICA LEE. TICKETS ARE \$15. DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 P.M.

Around town

- **Tunes.** Adam Baldwin (Matt Mays' right-hand man) is playing Call the Office (216 York St.) on Friday. Doors open at 9 p.m. Cover is \$5.
- **More tunes.** Danko Jones will take the stage at Call the Office on Saturday. Doors open at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$20.

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Thou art a villain, Ms. Eva Green

300: Rise of an Empire. Actress seems to be having a little too much fun playing a psychopath



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Eva Green was really looking for an all-out villain to sink her teeth into, and she got that and more with the role of Artemisia in *300: Rise of an Empire*.

Green sits down with Metro to discuss playing nuts, using sex as a weapon and the allure the mystical side of things.

You're playing more than just the typical villain in this.

Yes. I... kill people, and I'm not very nice, yes. It's pure villainy. You know, lots of actors will go, "No, she has cracks, she's human." And of course you learn about her back-story and how she's been betrayed by her own



Eva Green is the unconscionable Artemisia in *300: Rise of an Empire*, which opens on Friday. CONTRIBUTED

countrymen and it has kind of hardened her heart big time. The only challenge is to find maybe some jubilation in this because yeah, she's just... mental. She has no conscience and she can't tolerate incompetence, and

anybody who doesn't follow her orders, just (snaps) "Off with his head!" You can't do that in real life, really.

You also have probably one of the more aggressive sex scenes in this.

I mean, it's more of a fight than a sex scene, really. It's so violent that it was kind of staged as a fight scene. I love when it's kind of clinical. Even a normal sex scene, actually, when they go, "You put your hand here and you

here." "How do you do? We're going to have sex." And here it's two warriors having sex. They deal with violence every day, and this is how they do it. It's kind of S&M without the leather. It's not very romantic, let's say.

Netflix

The Trailer Park Boys are back

Light up a smoke and pour yourself a rum and coke, folks! It's time to celebrate as Ricky, Julian and Bubbles make their way to Netflix with 10 new episodes later this year.

But first, the latest seasons will be added in Canada and the U.S., while Seasons 1-7 will be available for the first time in the U.K., Ireland, Netherlands, the Nordics and Latin America. It's been several years since the cameras have followed Ricky, Julian and Bubbles around the Sunnyvale Trailer Park, so there's a lot to catch up on: Ricky recently harvested an enormous weed crop which he has successfully hidden in the walls of his trailer. Julian has opened a bar and gym in his trailer and Bubbles is in the process of opening what he calls a 'Shed and Breakfast' business.

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Broken Bells: Holding on For Life?

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Superduo pledge to continue making music together indefinitely

As The Shins' James Mercer and highly sought-after producer Danger Mouse, whose real name is Brian Burton, were preparing their second album as Broken Bells, they noticed some new benefits to their increasingly worked-in collaboration.

"It's easier to be blunt," said Mercer with a laugh in Toronto, seated in a hotel conference room next to his bandmate. "(Brian can say): 'I don't like that.' And I'm just like, 'OK. On we go.'"

The duo had travelled north for a pair of shows — Monday in Toronto and Tuesday in Montreal — a little over a month following the release of After the Disco.

The band's sophomore effort opened at No. 3 on the Canadian Billboard chart, its highest placement worldwide ("Better taste up here," mur-

mured Mercer when asked to muse on their north-of-the-border success).

True to its title — a reference to the post-party come-down — After the Disco is a rather down affair. Where the first record mixed Mercer's winsome whine with eclectic ear-candy arrangements polished to a lavissh sheen by Burton, its follow-up varies its mood more judiciously, even as certain tunes (especially the title track) dial the tempo upward.

"We both have that affinity for melancholic music," explained Mercer.

If the sound of the record is slightly different, the process behind it really wasn't. Again, Mercer went down to L.A. and stayed in Burton's guest room. Together they worked every day at Burton's studio, staying up late into the night penning lyrics together.

Largely, it seems as though the collaboration is fuelled by their friendship, which has only grown closer since they linked up to work on the first album.

And Burton — who has produced albums for a range of



James Mercer, left, and Danger Mouse (a.k.a. Brian Burton) of Broken Bells. SONY MUSIC CANADA

high-profile artists including Norah Jones, Beck, The Black Keys and Cee Lo Green (as the duo Gnarl Barkley) — says Mercer is indeed easier to work with than most.

"This one, there's no politics involved," said Burton, who first gained wide notice for the

Beatles/Jay-Z mashup The Grey Album. "There's no watching what you say or what you do so much. It's just me and James."

Discussions of Burton's personal studio might conjure images of a plush musical retreat — but it was actually much more modest. "It was like a

crappy lawyer's office," said a laughing Mercer. "Small and dingy. ... It was really that sort of innocuous suburban strip mall office type of thing."

"The vocal booth is pretty hilarious," he added. "There's an auto body shop right behind where the vocal booth sits ... (so)

Quoted

"We both have that affinity for melancholic music." James Mercer, on the mood of Broken Bells' After the Disco

you can hear someone grinding the bondo off (a car)."

Although both artists are extremely busy — Burton is currently helming the upcoming U2 record, but declines to offer any details on the long-awaited album — they're insistent that Broken Bells is a going concern.

Burton, especially, has tired of the widely held presumption that this was a collaboration with an expiration date. "It seems like we could keep doing this forever, really," Mercer said.

"It's a band," added Burton. "It would be no different than some band coming in on their second album and asking if they're planning on doing it forever — they'd probably look at you like you're kind of nuts."

"We're a band, why wouldn't we?"

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Bryan Cranston drums up the drama

Broadway debut. Former *Breaking Bad* star presides over the stage as Lyndon B. Johnson in *All the Way*

Bryan Cranston doesn't need to chase paychecks anymore. His salary for *Breaking Bad* wasn't

exactly at drug kingpin levels, but he's secure. So now what? Now it gets interesting.

"I don't need work — I don't need to work ever again," says the actor. "So the choices that I make now should all be things that I think are either fun or important or challenging."

Cranston's next move reflects this choice. He's making his Broadway debut in a role far

from Walter White — playing former U.S. president Lyndon B. Johnson in *All the Way*.

Cranston plays Johnson during his first year in office following the assassination of John F. Kennedy and explores both his fight for re-election and the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

"I like to think that I'm well cast for this role. He was a com-

plicated man," Cranston says. "You only make your Broadway debut once and I'm encouraged that I hitched my wagon to a really well-written play."

No matter how well-written, a three-hour play about the political manoeuvring of an irascible president 50 years ago may not be considered serious box office catnip. Cranston's star power changes that.

"Boy, I planned that well, didn't I?" jokes playwright Robert Schenkkan, who won a Pulitzer Prize in 1992 for his epic *The Kentucky Cycle*.

Johnson was originally handled by actor Jack Willis when it debuted at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in 2012, but Cranston jumped aboard last fall when the play next went to the American Repertory Theatre outside Boston.

The role requires Cranston to be bullying, insecure, charming, charismatic, ruthless and scary. Cranston has shown all that in a career that has gone from goofy comedy in *Malcolm in the Middle* to ferocious drama in *Breaking Bad*.

"That's who LBJ was — he was charming and witty and incredibly funny, a great raconteur, the life of the party. And also violent and vile and cruel and utterly terrible," says Schenkkan.

"I don't write with an actor in mind, but if I had, Bryan Cranston would have been at the head of the list."

Bill Rauch, the artistic director of Oregon Shakespeare Festival, who directs *All the Way*, says attracting Cranston was certainly useful to gin up excitement but he hasn't been a diva.

"Bryan is a brilliant actor who brings his ferocity, his emotional intelligence, his passion, his heart to bear on the role," says Rauch. "He really is a true member of the company and a leader of the company. There's no sense that he's the

star and the star is separate from the rest of the cast."

Political plays on Broadway haven't always been big draws, but the creative team behind *All the Way* describes it as a "thriller" and a "white-knuckle ride." Schenkkan stresses that what he's written is not a documentary or history: He's a dramatist exploring issues of power and morality, and asking how far we are willing to go to do good.

"What Robert's (Schenkkan) done so successfully I think is to create this dramatic framework where the actors get to come to life in a very exciting and energized way," says Robert Petkoff, who plays Sen. Hubert Humphrey. "It takes on a life, it breathes in a way that becomes compelling to watch."

Cranston agrees, saying *All the Way* is accurate to the past but it's not history at the expense of drama. "Nobody ever leaves a theatre and goes, 'Oh my God that play was so boring but historically accurate,'" he says. "We don't want that."

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"I don't need work — I don't need to work ever again. So the choices that I make now should all be things that I think are either fun or important or challenging." Bryan Cranston

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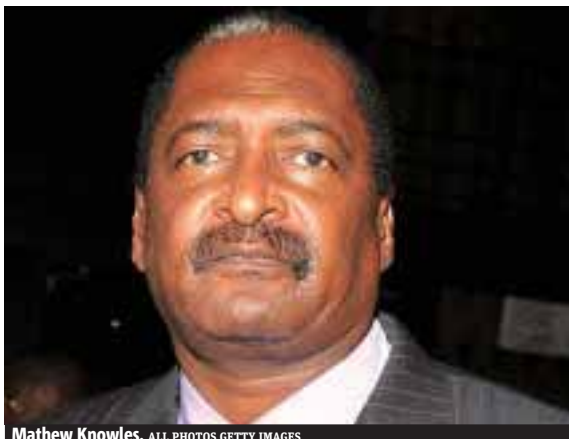
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Bryan Cranston portraying President Lyndon B. Johnson during a performance of *All the Way*. EVGENIA ELISEEVA/JEFFREY RICHARDS ASSOCIATES/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Mathew Knowles. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Beyoncé's dad gets a break on his baby mama bills

A judge has approved a substantial cut in the amount of child support that Beyoncé Knowles' father must pay because his income dropped after his superstar daughter fired him as her manager.

A ruling obtained by The Associated Press shows that a Los Angeles Superior Court judge cut the amount Mathew Knowles must pay to actress Alexandra Wright from \$12,000 US a month to roughly \$2,500 US a month. The pay-

ments are for a son Knowles fathered with Wright while he was still married to Beyoncé's mother.

Judge Scott Gordon's order is retroactive to February 2013. Although the singer's name is not mentioned in the ruling, it notes that her father's income has substantially fallen since she fired him in 2011. Mathew Knowles sought a reduction in his child support payments, and a hearing was held earlier this year. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Another McConaughey kid in nine months?

Don't be surprised if Matthew McConaughey names his next kid Oscar, as the newly minted Academy Award winner had just one thing on his mind following his win for best actor Sunday night.

"We won't stay long at the after-party," he told the Sun. "I want to go home and make another baby." McConaughey and wife Camila Alves are already parents to five-year-old Levi, four-year-old Vida and 14-month-old Livingston.



Matthew McConaughey

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Lohan's reality is still stranger than fiction

MELINDA TAUB
Metro World News

In the first look at Lindsay Lohan's OWN post-rehab reality show, her life looks fairly grim. She confesses that being stalked by paparazzi makes her feel like a prisoner "all the time." She looks alternately bored and panicked throughout. Handlers tattletale to Oprah that Lindsay is being unprofessional, skipping photo shoots and may be backsliding into addiction.

"This is exactly what everybody said was going to happen," Oprah sighs, "and I believed differently. She

doesn't understand that this is your life."

We also glimpse a confrontation between the two, during which Oprah exhorts the OWN star to take her recovery seriously. "My truth is that I really do want you to win," says Oprah.

"No, it's not that I'm not ready to do that. I do want to," Lindsay insists.

"You need to cut the bulls—," Oprah returns.

Not defending Lindsay for leaving crews and co-workers hanging, but possibly her subconscious has realized that most newly recovering alcoholics would be better off anywhere but the set of a reality television show.

I'm sure that's not the case here, though. Oprah would never endanger someone's recovery just for the sake of OWN.



Katy Perry

Apparently when Katy Perry kisses a girl, she doesn't like it

Katy Perry kissed another girl, and this time she wasn't really that into it. While visiting Australian talk show Sunrise this week, Perry recounted her close encounter with Miley Cyrus at the Bangerz singer's concert in Los Angeles. "I just

walked up to her to give her, like, a friendly, girly kiss. You know, as girls do," Perry said. "And then she, like, tried to move her head and go deeper and I pulled away. God knows where that tongue has been."

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From the runway, with love

Fall/Winter Fashion Month has taken four countries by storm once again. Here's a taste of what Metro's gurus of glam were lucky enough to see in the last leg of their high speed, high fashion city-hop. Until next season, style fanatics!

METRO WORLD NEWS

Roberto Cavalli (Milan)

Fire makes the perfect backdrop for Cavalli's flamboyant clothes. When a collection has heaps of dramatic fur on top of feathers on top of python on top of fringe, and tassels, and studs, and beading, the addition of a ring of flames and smoke seems only right and natural. He's cultivated an iconic look that may not set any agendas, but epitomizes Milanese fashion and its trademark carnal glamour. This is the drama we look for from Milano Moda Donna and he's delivered.

Major trends: Python, tassels, contrasting textures, blanket coats, gold.



Prada (Milan)

Prada has an unmistakable way of making the garish look intelligent, the street style bait not look so try-hard, and the commercially appealing look artful. That's why most of these pieces (I'm placing bets on the shearling jackets and sporty platform shoes), which would look ridiculous in anyone else's hands, will most likely fly off the shelves. Remember, Prada has consistently posted sales growth for several years now. Even if this collection is not her most exciting, she's still on a roll.

The major trends: Seventies-inspired prints and shapes, and shearling.

Rochas (Paris)

All of the clothes are stunning, right down to the densely beaded gloves. But too many in the second half of the show look heavy and fussy, like a wardrobe malfunction waiting to happen. That said, this collection falls right in line with the memo that clearly went out for autumn/winter '14: glamour and all of the decorative trappings that come with it, rules.

Major trends: Dense embellishments, outsized volume, experimentations with texture and longer fuller skirts.



Carven (Paris)

Guillaume Henry has referenced a decade other than the '60s this season and I appreciate that. His forties shapes and silhouettes have a film noir sensibility about them. Interestingly, this collection presents a more grown-up look than the girlier, whimsical fare. The strongest looks are the longest: straight, midi-length skirt suits and belted coat dresses and jackets that look like the stuff of Ingrid Bergman movies, with a modern twist.

Major trends: Longer midi skirts, shiny embellishments, shades of blue, and experiments with texture.

Sonia Rykiel (Paris)

The emphasis on knits and sense of humour present in a series of dresses emblazoned with 'Moi' are classic Rykiel, but there's a new contemporary, urban polish here as well. Best of all, everything looks so incredibly cosy and easy to wear. There are enormous Mongolian fur coats, relaxed, softly tailored trousers, oversized waffle knit sweaters and lithe, lean skirt suits, all in the warmest wools and cashmeres.

Major trends: Relaxed slouchy shapes, shaggy outerwear, textured three-dimensional surfaces and midi-length skirts.



Canadian street style

Spotted in: Toronto

Name: Jennifer

Age: 25

Occupation: Retail Manager

What she's wearing:
Hat: Topshop
Glasses: Chanel

Scarf: Wilfred
Jacket: Wilfred
Shirt: Club Monaco
Bottoms: J Brand
Shoes: Zara
Bag: Givenchy

Her inspiration:
"I'm minimal yet eclectic. I'm inspired by people who look amazing in head to toe basics. I adore people who can modify current trends to preserve

their own unique sense of style."

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Trends Report

High-waisted jeans are predicted to be a huge trend this spring, but who are we kidding? They're not flattering on many women, not even some celebs. But if you're curious to try them out, go online to Trends Report to see three outfits I've put together that actually make high-waisted jeans look great.

- Online. Follow Irene on Twitter at @MetrolreneK or Instagram: kuanirene; metronews.ca/voices/trends-report



Fab visions for vacay finds

Everyone loves to bring back souvenirs from a holiday. Fridge magnets, coffee mugs, tea towels, carved masks and seashells are just a few of the popular items that keep vacation memories alive. Here's what to look for when you're away, and a few ideas to ensure your mementos are displayed to their best advantage once you get them home



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Rules for travel collecting

1. Before purchasing an item to display in your home, ask yourself if it will fit nicely with your home's decor. A carved African mask would make a great display for bohemian-styled decor but could look out of place in a country-themed room.
2. Keep the entire collection together. Grouping has a bigger impact and creates a strong focal point. Double the impact by placing your display in front of a mirror.
3. Large collections can be divided and grouped by colour or theme to help make a stronger statement.
4. Narrow floating shelves in a hallway or a shelf installed just above a door entrance are great spots to display your collections without taking up valuable tabletop space.
5. Shadow-boxing small items gives them a museum quality, keeps collections tidy and creates unusual wall art.



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A grouping of masks can create a statement when hung on the right wall. Keep the collection tightly spaced and match it to your decor through colour or theme. A great place to create a display is on a hallway end wall or in a powder room. Paint the display wall a dramatic colour like rust, teal or grey to create a backdrop that will show off your collection.



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Hang a piece of decorative fabric or rug behind a bed to create an instant headboard. Kilim or flat weave carpets can be used as sturdy upholstery for poufs and ottomans. Rugs 3x4 feet or smaller look very special when framed and hung on the wall.

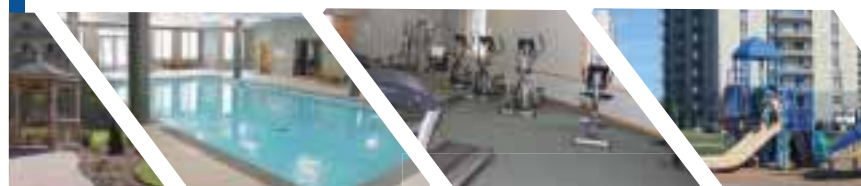


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Vintage tea towels make great artwork for the kitchen when steamed and pressed behind glass. They can also make unique pillows for a kitchen banquette.

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Pizza marries nutrition

Red Pepper and Goat Cheese Pizza. March is Nutrition Month but healthy doesn't mean sacrificing flavour

Pizza is a fantastic meal to make on the fly, especially if you have a flatbread or ready-made pizza crust. It's got a big surface, with lots of room for nutrient-filled vegetables.

In this easy-to-make recipe, creamy goat cheese balances the bright and fresh flavours of red pepper, onion and tomato. Combined with mozzarella (a pizza classic),

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olives and basil, it's a healthy meal that's ready in about 20 minutes.

Feel free to experiment with whatever you might have in the fridge: feta is a welcome substitute for goat cheese; zucchini and mushrooms pair nicely too. Chicken with spinach, red peppers and cheese is another dietitian-approved combo that you can easily cook and enjoy!

Ingredients

- 1 12-inch round of flatbread or enough pizza dough or a 12-inch (30 cm) pizza crust
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) olive oil
- 1 cup (250 ml) shredded mozzarella cheese
- 1/4 cup (50 ml) cup soft crumbed goat cheese

- 1 large red bell pepper, sliced
- 1 large tomato, sliced
- 1/4 cup (50 ml) sliced black olives
- 1/4 cup (50 ml) sweet Vidalia onion, sliced (optional)
- 1 tsp (5 ml) dried basil (or 2 tbsp/25 ml chopped fresh basil)

Using a baking stone is a great way to give your pizza a crusty finish. Place the pizza stone in a cool oven, turn on the oven and preheat the stone for about 45 minutes before cooking the pizza.

1. Preheat oven to 400 F (200 C) if using flatbread or 450 F (230 C) if using pizza dough
2. Place flatbread on baking sheet. Alternatively, if using pizza dough, spread out dough on lightly greased pizza pan to make a 12-inch (30 cm) circle.
3. Brush olive oil on top of flatbread or pizza dough. Sprinkle with mozzarella cheese. Top with goat cheese, red pepper, tomato, black olives, onion, if using, and basil.

4. Bake pizza in bottom half of preheated oven for 10 to 15 minutes or until crust is golden and filling is bubbly.

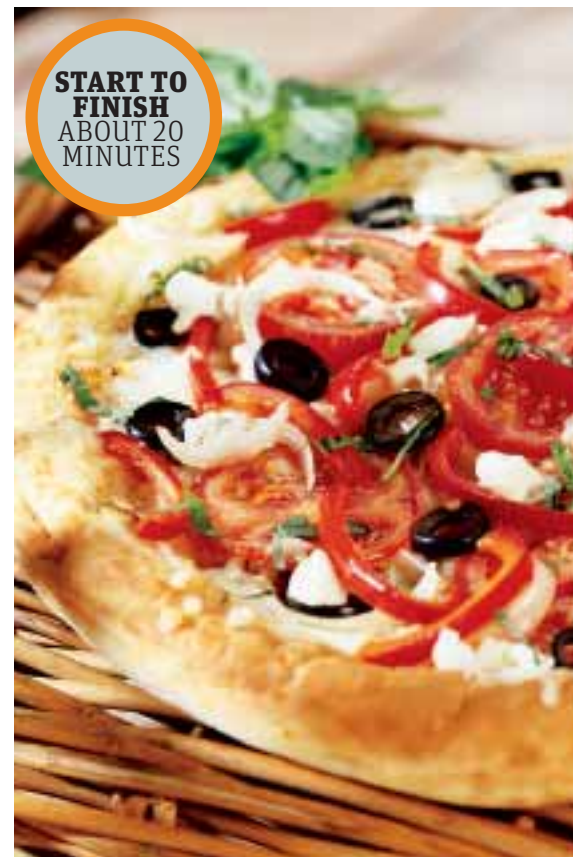
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Healthy helpers

Dietitians of Canada offers up affordable kitchen must-have suggestions.

- **Steamer basket.** Steaming your veggies is a quick, easy, and healthy alternative to sautéing.
- **Oil mister.** The tool gives you precise control over how much oil is used.
- **Box grater.** While we love using our grater for cheese, it can also be used for all kinds of vegetables. Salads with grated zucchini, beets or carrots are a tasty side dish option.
- **Measuring spoon set.** If you thought these were only good for measuring liquid, think again. You can use them to sprinkle just the right amount of herbs or spices on your dish.

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Western University

Burke to give talk on sports industry

A big honcho in the NHL is coming to Western University to talk, what else, sports.

Brian Burke, president of hockey operations for the Calgary Flames, will be at the school Thursday to talk about working in the sports industry. The event, hosted by the Western Sport Business Club, will run from 2 to 4 p.m. in the BMO Financial Group Auditorium at Ivey.

Tickets are \$7 at wsbc.ca or \$10 at the door. Proceeds will be donated to the You Can Play Project, a charity created in honour of Burke's late son, Brendan, and co-founded by his son Patrick. You Can Play is dedicated to ensuring equality, respect, and safety for all athletes, without regard to sexual orientation.

Prior to his current position with the Flames, Burke was president and general manager of the Toronto Maple Leafs, Anaheim Ducks and Vancouver Canucks. **METRO**

NHL trade deadline

Halak, Thomas latest goalies included in deals

In the week before the NHL trade deadline, a total of 11 goaltenders were dealt. Martin Brodeur stayed put with the New Jersey Devils, while Jaroslav Halak got moved twice, first from the St. Louis Blues to the Buffalo Sabres for Ryan Miller and then to the Washington Capitals for Michal Neuvirth on Wednesday.

Tim Thomas was also moved in the final hours before the deadline, going from the Panthers to the Stars for fellow goalie Dan Ellis. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

NHL trade deadline

Canadiens say bonjour to Vanek

The Montreal Canadiens made a major move at the NHL trade deadline Wednesday, acquiring winger Thomas Vanek from the New York Islanders.

Montreal sent forward Sebastien Collberg, a conditional second-round pick and a conditional fifth-round selection in the 2014 NHL Entry Draft to the Islanders. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Lightning earn A's after schooling Brampton and tying series

The London Lightning's Tony Bennett drives around the Brampton A's Cedric Moodie in Game 2 of the two teams' best-of-five playoff series Thursday at Budweiser Gardens. London won 105-89, tying the series at one game apiece. The teams meet again Saturday in Brampton. **ANGELA MULLINS/METRO**

St. Louis shipped to the Rangers

NHL. Disgruntled by Olympic snub, Bolts captain has his trade request granted

Martin St. Louis may have had an Olympic gold medal hanging around his neck, but he still wouldn't say the bitterness he felt being left off Team Canada's original 25-man roster had subsided.

That it was his general manager with the Tampa Bay Lightning, Steve Yzerman, serving as executive director in charge of that final call still seemed to resonate for the 38-year-old winger. St. Louis talked only about the "tough job" Yzerman had to do and mentioned vague discussions the two men had.

It was clear those discussions included a demand to be traded, and on Wednesday — less than two weeks after Canada won gold in Sochi — Yzerman obliged, trading St.

Louis to the New York Rangers for Ryan Callahan, a first-round pick in the 2015 draft and a conditional second-rounder this year.

"Marty and I have discussed his future with the organization in the past," Yzerman told reporters in Tampa, Fla. "Whether I agree or not, I respect his decision. It's Marty's career, it's Marty's life, it's personal."

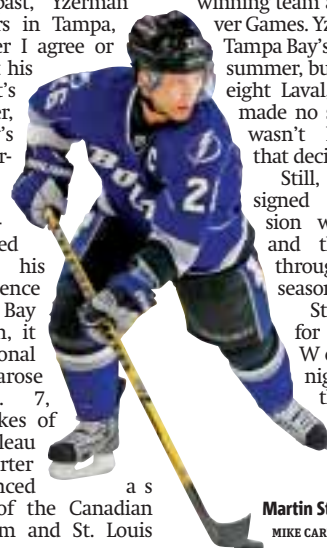
From the way Yzerman described it during his news conference at Tampa Bay Times Forum, it was a personal issue that arose before Jan. 7, when the likes of Patrick Marleau and Jeff Carter were announced being part of the Canadian Olympic team and St. Louis

was not. Yzerman repeatedly said that he and St. Louis had previously talked about his future.

It's unclear if any animosity started in 2010, when Yzerman left St. Louis off the gold-medal-winning team at the Vancouver Games. Yzerman wasn't Tampa Bay's GM until that summer, but the five-foot-eight Laval, Que., native made no secret that he wasn't happy about that decision.

Still, St. Louis signed an extension with Yzerman and the Lightning through the 2014-15 season.

St. Louis played for the Rangers Wednesday night against the Toronto Maple Leafs at Madison Square Gar-



Martin St. Louis
MIKE CARLSON/GETTY IMAGES

Conditional picks

- The second-round pick the Lightning are getting in the deal becomes a first-rounder this June if the Rangers reach the Eastern Conference final.
- If Ryan Callahan re-signs with Tampa Bay, the teams will swap picks in the 2015 draft with the Rangers getting the Lightning's second-rounder for New York's seventh-rounder.

den. He was expected to address the trade afterward.

St. Louis has 29 goals and 32 assists in 62 games this season and is a major reason why the Lightning remain in a playoff spot almost four months after losing Steven Stamkos with a broken right leg. St. Louis won the Art Ross Trophy last year by leading the NHL with 60 points in 48 games. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

NHL

Stamkos nears return to Bolts

Lightning forward Steven Stamkos plans to return to the Tampa Bay lineup Thursday, four months after breaking his right leg.

Stamkos, who was forced to miss the Sochi Olympics and the Lightning's past 45 games, tweeted Wednesday morning that he'll play against the Buffalo Sabres on Thursday.

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Sochi 2014

Russia fires men's hockey coach

Russia ice hockey coach Zinetula Bilyaletdinov is leaving his job after the home team's disappointing quarterfinals exit at the Sochi Olympics.

Russia lost 3-1 to Finland to miss out on an Olympic medal which was among the nation's top priorities at the Sochi Games. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Golf

Trump's chopper buzzes practice

Rory McIlroy's practice round at the site of this week's World Golf Championships in Doral, Fla. was interrupted for a few minutes on Wednesday because Donald Trump's helicopter was taking off.

Trump, a well-known golf enthusiast, has given the Blue Monster course a complete makeover in less than a year to make it more playable for this weekend's tournament.

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Red, white and gold all over



Sonja Gaudet of Canada watches as Ina Forrest, left, releases a stone against South Korea during the wheelchair gold medal game at the 2010 Vancouver Winter Paralympic Games. MARTIN ROSE/GETTY IMAGES

Paralympics. Gold-medal winning curler Sonja Gaudet named flag-bearer for Team Canada in Sochi

Wheelchair curler Sonja Gaudet has been named as Canada's flag-bearer for the opening ceremony of the Sochi Paralympic Games.

The 47-year-old Gaudet is the most decorated wheelchair curler in history, having won gold medals at both the 2006 and 2010 Paralympics.

She also has three world championships to her name.

A native of North Vancouver, B.C., Gaudet will lead a Canadian contingent of 54 athletes into the Fisht Olympic Stadium on Friday night.

"It carries a lot of purpose for me," Gaudet said at Wednesday's announcement. "Of course we're here to compete as athletes with a physical disability at the highest level — that's what the Paralympic Games are."

"It sends a big global message as well about looking

past the wheelchair, looking past the visual impairment, looking past the missing limb and really focusing on the person and focusing on what's there."

Gaudet is the second on the Canadian squad to skip Jim Armstrong, who said his teammate is deserving of the honour.

"In the six, seven years that I've known Sonja, all I've done is see her work very hard," said Armstrong, who won gold at the 2010 Vancouver Paralympics with Gaudet. "Her skills have just continued to improve and it has not come easy. She has set a work ethic that any coach would be proud of."

Canada made the podium 19 times in Vancouver and has set a goal of finishing top-three in gold medals in Sochi.

The Winter Paralympics include wheelchair curling, sledge hockey, para-Nordic skiing and biathlon, para-alpine skiing and para-snowboard.

Canada plays two wheelchair curling games on Saturday morning, including a 9:30 a.m. local time (12:30 a.m. ET) start against Britain.

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Sonja Gaudet poses for a Canadian Olympic Committee portrait in Vancouver. The curler won gold for Canada at the 2010 and 2006 Paralympic Games. JONATHAN FERREY/GETTY IMAGES

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Magic slide ride continues for golden girl Humphries

Kaillie Humphries' first full day back in Canada included 18 interviews, a hair appointment and a Calgary Flames game.

Calgary's triumphant bobsledder at the Sochi Olympics is making the most of her gold medal before the small window for endorsements and appearances is slammed shut.

More than a week after the curtain came down on the Olympics, Humphries' agent

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The number of months agent Kris Mychasiw hopes he can keep Calgary slider Kaillie Humphries in the public spotlight

Kris Mychasiw said he's receiving some 20 emails a day with requests for appearances or product endorsements for the

bobsledder.

Twitter has been abuzz as well since Humphries tweeted: "How far can a tweet and an Olympic Gold Medal travel? Do you think 10,000 RTs can get me on @TheEllenShow?"

It had over 9,200 retweets as of Tuesday, and Mychasiw said a producer from the show reached out to him late last week although there are no immediate plans for an appearance. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

Family matters will take up most of your time today but don't think that means you cannot have fun. Loved ones are hoping you will suggest a trip you can all enjoy together.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

You know what you want and you know how and where to get it, so all you have to do now is reach out your hand and take it. Sounds easy, doesn't it? Well that's because it is. Make things happen!

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Good news about your finances is on its way and by the end of the week you will be wondering why and how you allowed yourself to get so worked up about a simple thing like money. Treat yourself — you deserve it.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

You have been a bit to cautious of late but now that Jupiter is moving in your favour again you will find the confidence to take a few risks. If you have not done it already, you should be planning your next adventure.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

You will no doubt wonder what the catch is when someone in a position of authority offers you something you have long desired, but there is no need to be suspicious.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You want to get things done, but because not everyone is as motivated as you it may take effort to get others to help you. No, you can't go it alone. There is too much to do.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

You will win over even the most reluctant of people today. Create a vision of what it is you intend to achieve and let them see that they can share in the spoils, but they have got to back you — now.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Don't give in today, especially with co-workers who will take advantage of you if you don't stand up for yourself. You may want to help but you should not be doing everything.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

Some people seem to be under the impression that they can snap their fingers and you will come running. But with Jupiter, your ruler, on great form today they are in for a rude awakening.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You've got a nagging feeling that you could have done more to make a success of a relationship. Maybe you're right but that was then and this is now. Stop looking back.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Jupiter moves in your favour today, making it easy to break free of habits that are holding you back. Remember: the best way to get rid of a habit is to replace it with a better one that challenges you.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

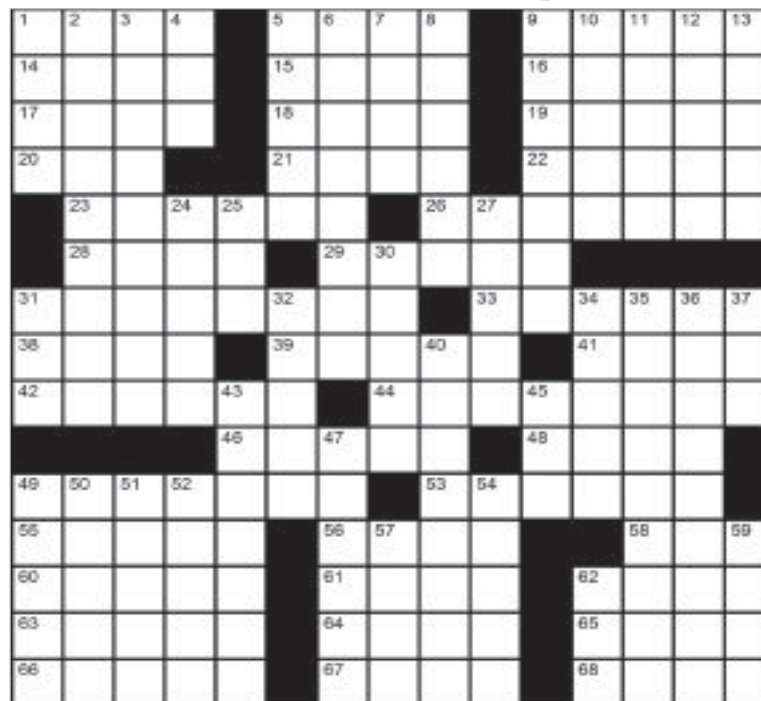
You will get a burst of energy today, enabling you to finish something you started a long time ago. Some people believe that Pisceans are lazy. It's time to prove them wrong.

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Crossword: Canada Across and Down

Across

- High hairstyle
- Nursemaid
- Zestfulness
- Earth's crust's upper layer
- Actor's dialogue
- Staked, in poker
- Stare
- Facial result
- Window's sun blocker
- Alphabetical trio
- Half of a Basque court game
- Mouthwash-using step
- Bellowing beast
- Social site
- Actress, Candace Cameron
- Music's Mr. Shaw
- A car in Britney Spears' "Work B**ch!"
- TV type
- Certain cuckoos
- "Don't ___ what you know is true." - INXS
- Tibia's locale
- ___ comedy
- Northeastern Ontario community, ___ Lake
- Daniel Day-___
- Libertine
- Historic legal building in Toronto, ___ Hall
- Lays eggs, salmon-style
- Wallet items
- Certain canal



- Calder Cup sports org.
- Marvin Gaye duetist Ms. Terrell
- Orchestra instrument
- Ms. Gardner's
- "Sounds like ___!"
- Fails to be
- Delicate
- ___ to try (Eager)

- More or ___
- Aardvark snacks

- holder: 2 wds.
- Nova Scotia university
- Rosemary Clooney's "This ___ House"
- Pond stuff
- National Basketball League of Canada team, Saint John ___
- Buffalo sort
- Princess Diana's

- affair-ee, Captain James ___
- "In Your Eyes" by Peter Who?
- Not-in-use candle's status
- Time on the job
- Strained
- More strange
- Usurp
- "The Lorax"

Yesterday's Crossword



Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku

5	3	4	2	9	1	7	6	8
7	9	1	8	6	5	2	4	3
8	2	6	3	4	7	1	5	9
4	8	9	7	2	6	5	3	1
2	7	5	1	3	9	8	4	6
1	6	3	4	5	8	9	2	7
6	5	8	9	7	3	4	1	2
3	4	7	6	1	2	8	9	5
9	1	2	5	8	4	3	7	6

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				6		5		
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								2
	8		1	3		5		

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.

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- (2012) character, The Once-___
- Windshield ___
- ___Tikki-Tavi
- Pas' wives
- Oohed and ___
- "It must be ___ news day."
- Saskatchewan's southwest town
- Prospecting passageway: 2 wds.
- Also
- Tom Cruise's 'Impossible' undertakings
- Leonard Cohen's "___ Time"
- Isthmus of ___ (Malay Peninsula part)
- Beetle sort
- Grouping that's the sum of VII + I
- Like dish-washing water
- Manitoba town with Icelandic heritage
- "Come __, __..." (Hurry ...or give it a break already)
- Hides
- The Parachute Club hit: "___ Up"
- Itemized things, for short
- Noted botanist Mr. Gray

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Friday

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